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CONCERNING THE SITUATION IN ANGOLA

NOTE VERBALE DATED 5 FEBRUARY 1999 FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF BELGIUM TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE

The Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 864 (1993) concerning the situation in Angola and has the honour to inform him of the measures Belgium has taken to implement the provisions of paragraphs 11 and 12 of Security Council resolution 1173 (1998).

On 3 July 1998 the European Union adopted a common position on restrictive measures against the União Nacional para a Independência Total de Angola (UNITA). The common position was implemented by a European Union regulation adopted by the Council of the European Union on 28 July 1998. This regulation is legally binding in its entirety and is directly applicable under Belgian domestic law.

At the national level, Belgium has taken the necessary internal measures to implement Security Council resolution 1173 (1998), namely:

Reinforcing the existing arrangements for monitoring diamond imports, for which an import licence and a certificate of origin from the Angolan Government are required;

Implementation of a licensing system for the export or transit shipment to Angola of:

- Equipment for use in the mining industry and associated services;
- Vehicles or motor boats or spare parts.

In addition, regulations have been enacted to freeze funds and other financial resources, particularly funds deriving from property belonging to UNITA as an organization, to its officials or to adult members of their immediate families, as defined in paragraph 11 of Security Council resolution 1127 (1997).

Other administrative measures have been taken by the competent authorities with a view to implementing these provisions.

The Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations would be grateful if the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 864 (1993) concerning the situation in Angola could have the foregoing paragraphs circulated as a document of the Security Council.